

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound of Formula I:



5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

D is $-\text{NH}-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NH}-$,

A is a substituted moiety of up to 40 carbon atoms of the formula: $-\text{L}-(\text{M}-\text{L}^1)_q$, where L is a 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure bound directly to D, L^1 comprises a substituted cyclic moiety having at least 5 members, M is a bridging group having at least one atom, q is an integer of from 1-3; and each cyclic structure of L and L^1 contains 0-4 members of the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, and

B is a substituted or unsubstituted, up to tricyclic aryl or heteroaryl moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms with at least one 6-member cyclic structure bound directly to D containing 0-4 members of the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur,

15 wherein L^1 is substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}_x$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}_x$ and $-\text{C}(\text{NR}_y)\text{R}_z$,

R_y is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally halosubstituted, up to per halo,

20 R_z is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

R_x is R_z or NR_aR_b where R_a and R_b are

25 a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and

carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

-OSi(R_f)₃ where R_f is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

b) R_a and R_b together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

c) one of R_a or R_b is -C(O)-, a C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group or a substituted C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

where B is substituted, L is substituted or L¹ is additionally substituted, the substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen, up to per-halo, and W_n, where n is 0-3;

wherein each W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -C(O)-R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, -Q-Ar, and carbon based moieties of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷ and halogen up to per-halo; with each R⁷ independently selected from H or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,

wherein Q is -O-, -S-, -N(R⁷)-, -(CH₂)_m-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH₂)_mO-, -(CH₂)_mS-, -(CH₂)_mN(R⁷)-, -O(CH₂)_m- CHX^a-, -CX^a₂-, -S-(CH₂)_m- and -N(R⁷)(CH₂)_m-, where m= 1-3, and X^a is halogen; and

Ar is a 5- or 6-member aromatic structure containing 0-2 members selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, up to per-halo, and optionally substituted by Z_{n1}, wherein n1 is 0 to 3 and each Z is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -COR⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, with R⁷ as defined above.

2. A compound as in claim 1 wherein:

R_y is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms, C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, substituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C₆₋₁₄ aryl, substituted C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl or substituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, where R_y is a substituted group, it is substituted by halogen up to per halo,

R_z is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatom, C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from, S, N and O, C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, substituted C₆₋₁₄ aryl, substituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from S, N and O, substituted C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from S, N and O, substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl or substituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl where R_z is a substituted group, it is substituted by halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₁₋₁₀

alkoxy, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₁₋₆ halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C_{6-C12} halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C_{3-C12} halo substituted cycloalkyl up to per halo cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, halo substituted C_{3-C12} hetaryl up to per halo hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, halo substituted C_{7-C24} aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C_{7-C24} alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R_g,

R_a and R_b are,

a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety selected from the group consisting of C_{1-C10} alkyl, C_{1-C10} alkoxy, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl, C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, C_{7-C24} alkaryl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, substituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl, having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C₆₋₁₂ aryl, substituted C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, where R_a and R_b are a substituted group, they are substituted by halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₁₋₆ halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C_{6-C12} halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C_{3-C12} halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C_{3-C12} hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C_{7-C24} aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C_{7-C24} alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R_g; or

-OSi(R_f)₃ where R_f is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C_{3-C10} cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C_{3-C12} hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, substituted C_{1-C10} alkoxy, substituted C_{3-C12} cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, substituted C_{3-C12} heteraryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S, and N, substituted C₆₋₁₂ aryl, and substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, where R_f is a substituted group it is substituted halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C_{7-C24} alkaryl, C_{7-C24} aralkyl, C₁₋₆ halo substituted alkyl up to per halo

alkyl, C₆-C₁₂ halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C₃-C₁₂ halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C₃-C₁₂ hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R_g,

5 or

b) R_a and R_b together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O with substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl, C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl, halo substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl up to per halo alkyl, halo substituted C₆-C₁₂ aryl up to per halo aryl, halo substituted C₃-C₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C₃-C₁₂ hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R_g,

or

c) one of R_a or R_b is -C(O)-, a C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group or a substituted C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members,

wherein the substituents of the substituted C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₃₋₁₂ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl, C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl, C₁₋₆ halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C₆-C₁₂ halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C₃-C₁₂ halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C₃-C₁₂ hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R_g,

where R_g is C₁₋₁₀ alkyl; -CN, -CO₂R_d, -OR_d, -SR_d, -NO₂, -C(O)R_c, -NR_dR_c, -NR_dC(O)OR_e and -NR_dC(O)R_e, and R_d and R_e are independently selected from the group

consisting of hydrogen, C₁₋₁₀, alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₆₋₁₂ aryl, C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl with 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S and C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, up to per halo substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per halo substituted C₆₋₁₄ aryl, up to per halo substituted C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N, and S, halo substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and up to per halo substituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl,

W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -C(O)-R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₆₋₁₄ aryl, C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, C₃₋₁₂ heteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₄₋₂₃ alkheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, substituted C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, substituted C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, substituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C₆₋₁₂ aryl, substituted C₃₋₁₂ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, substituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, substituted C₄₋₂₃ alkheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, and -Q-Ar;

R⁷ is independently selected from H, C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkoxy, C₂₋₁₀ alkenyl, C₁₋₁₀ alkenoyl, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C₆₋₁₄ aryl, C₃₋₁₃ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₇₋₁₄ alkaryl, C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, C₄₋₂₃ alkheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C₁₋₁₀ alkyl, up to per-halosubstituted C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C₆₋₁₄ aryl, up to per-halosubstituted C₃₋₁₃ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C₇₋₂₄ aralkyl, up to per-halosubstituted C₇₋₂₄ alkaryl, and up to per-halosubstituted C₄₋₂₃ alkheteroaryl; and

each Z is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy, C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl, C₁-C₁₀ alkenoyl, C₃-C₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₆-C₁₄ aryl, C₃-C₁₃ hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl, C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl, C₄-C₂₃ alkheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy, substituted C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl, substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkenoyl, substituted C₃-C₁₀ cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C₆-C₁₂ aryl, substituted C₇-C₂₄ alkaryl, substituted C₇-C₂₄ aralkyl and substituted C₄-C₂₃ alkheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S; wherein if Z is a substituted group, the one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -COR⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷.

3. A compound as in claim 1 wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -N(R⁷)-, -(CH₂)_m-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH₂)_mO-, -(CH₂)_mS-, -(CH₂)_mN(R⁷)-, -O(CH₂)_m-, -CHX^a-, -CX^a₂-, -S-(CH₂)_m- and -N(R⁷)(CH₂)_m-, where m= 1-3, X^a is halogen and R⁷ is as defined in claim 1.

4. A compound as in claim 1 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by -OH.

5. A compound as in claim 1 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by a moiety having an ionizable hydrogen and a pKa of 10 or less.

6. A compound of claim 1 wherein B of Formula I is a substituted or unsubstituted six member aryl moiety or six member hetaryl moiety, said hetaryl moiety having 1 to 4 members selected from the group of hetaryl atoms consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur with the balance of the hetaryl moiety being carbon.

7. A compound of claim 1 wherein B of Formula I is an unsubstituted phenyl group, an unsubstituted pyridyl group, an unsubstituted pyrimidinyl, a phenyl group substituted by a substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen and W_n wherein W and n are as defined in claim 1, a pyrimidinyl group substituted by a substituent selected from

the group constituting of halogen and Wn, whereas W and n are as defined in Claim 1, or a substituted pyridyl group substituted by a substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen and Wn wherein W and n are as defined in claim 1.

8. A compound of claim 6 wherein B of Formula I is a substituted phenyl group, a substituted pyrimidinyl group, or substituted pyrrolyl group substituted 1 to 3 times by 1 or more substituents selected from the group consisting of -CN, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy, -OH, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy or phenyl substituted by halogen up to per halo.

9. A compound of claim 1, wherein L, the six member cyclic structure bound directly to D, is a substituted or unsubstituted 6 member aryl moiety or a substituted or unsubstituted 6 member hetaryl moiety, wherein said hetaryl moiety has 1 to 4 members selected from the group of heteroatoms consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur with the balance of said hetaryl moiety being carbon, wherein the one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen and Wn wherein W and n are as defined in claim 1.

10. A compound of claim 8, wherein L, the 6 member cyclic structure bound directly to D, is a substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted pyrimidinyl, unsubstituted pyrimidinyl, substituted pyridyl or unsubstituted pyridyl group.

11. A compound of claim 1, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L¹ comprises a 5 to 6 membered aryl moiety or hetaryl moiety, wherein said heteraryl moiety comprises 1 to 4 members selected from the group of heteroatoms consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur.

12. A compound of claim 1, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L¹ is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

13. A compound of claim 3, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L¹ is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

14. A compound of claim 6, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L¹ is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

15. A compound of claim 8, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L¹ is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

16. A compound of claim 9, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L^1 is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

17. A compound of claim 10, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L^1 is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

5 18. A compound of claim 14, wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of $-O-$, $-S-$, $-N(R^7)-$, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CH(OH)-$, $-(CH_2)_mO-$, $-(CH_2)_mS-$, $-(CH_2)_mN(R^7)-$, $-O(CH_2)_m-$, CHX^a- , $-CX^a_2-$, $-S-(CH_2)_m-$ and $-N(R^7)(CH_2)_m-$, where $m=1-3$, X^a is halogen and R^7 is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by
10 halogen up to per halo.

19. A compound of claim 15, wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of $-O-$, $-S-$, $-N(R^7)-$, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CH(OH)-$, $-(CH_2)_mO-$, $-(CH_2)_mS-$, $-(CH_2)_mN(R^7)-$, $-O(CH_2)_m-$, CHX^a- , $-CX^a_2-$, $-S-(CH_2)_m-$ and $-N(R^7)(CH_2)_m-$, where $m=1-3$, X^a is halogen and R^7 is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by
15 halogen up to per halo.

20. A compound of claim 16, wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of $-O-$, $-S-$, $-N(R^7)-$, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CH(OH)-$, $-(CH_2)_mO-$, $-(CH_2)_mS-$, $-(CH_2)_mN(R^7)-$, $-O(CH_2)_m-$, CHX^a- , $-CX^a_2-$, $-S-(CH_2)_m-$ and $-N(R^7)(CH_2)_m-$, where $m=1-3$, X^a is halogen and R^7 is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by
20 halogen up to per halo.

21. A compound of claim 17, wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of $-O-$, $-S-$, $-N(R^7)-$, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CH(OH)-$, $-(CH_2)_mO-$, $-(CH_2)_mS-$, $-(CH_2)_mN(R^7)-$, $-O(CH_2)_m-$, CHX^a- , $-CX^a_2-$, $-S-(CH_2)_m-$ and $-N(R^7)(CH_2)_m-$, where $m=1-3$, X^a is halogen and R^7 is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by
25 halogen up to per halo.

22. A compound of claim 1 wherein L^1 is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by
30 one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_{10} alkyl, up to per halo

substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

23. A compound of claim 13 wherein L¹ is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

24. A compound of claim 18 wherein L¹ is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

25. A compound of claim 19 wherein L¹ is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

26. A compound of claim 20 wherein L¹ is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

27. A compound of claim 21 wherein L¹ is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

28. A compound of claim 1 wherein L¹ is substituted by -C(O)R_x.

29. A compound of claim 1 wherein L¹ is substituted by -SO₂R_x.

30. A compound of claim 1 wherein L¹ is substituted only by -C(O)R_x.

31. A compound of claim 1 wherein L¹ is substituted only by -SO₂R_x.

32. A compound of claim 1 wherein L¹ is substituted by -C(O)R_x or -SO₂R_x, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b.

33. A compound of claim 13 wherein L^1 is substituted by $-C(O)R_x$ or $-SO_2R_x$, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b , and R_a and R_b are

a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

$-OSi(R_f)_3$ where R_f is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

b) R_a and R_b together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

c) one of R_a or R_b is $-C(O)-$, a C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group or a substituted C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

34. A compound of claim 18 wherein L^1 is substituted by $-C(O)R_x$ or $-SO_2R_x$, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

35. A compound of claim 19 wherein L^1 is substituted by $-C(O)R_x$, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

36. A compound of claim 20 wherein L^1 is substituted by $-C(O)R_x$ or $-SO_2R_x$, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

37. A compound of claim 21 wherein L^1 is substituted by $-C(O)R_x$ or $-SO_2R_x$, wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

38. A compound of Formula I:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

D is $-NH-C(O)-NH-$,

A is a substituted moiety of up to 40 carbon atoms of the formula: $-L-(M-L^1)_q$, where L is a 6 membered aryl moiety or a 6 membered hetaryl moiety bound directly to D, L^1 comprises a substituted cyclic moiety having at least 5 members, M is a bridging group having at least one atom, q is an integer of from 1-3; and each cyclic structure of L and L^1 contains 0-4 members of the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, and

B is a substituted or unsubstituted, up to tricyclic aryl or heteroaryl moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms with at least one 6-member cyclic structure bound directly to D containing 0-4 members of the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur,

wherein L^1 is substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of $-SO_2R_x$, $-C(O)R_x$ and $-C(NR_y)R_z$,

R_y is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally halosubstituted, up to per halo,

R_z is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

R_x is R_z or NR_aR_b where R_a and R_b are

a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

$-OSi(R_f)_3$ where R_f is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

b) R_a and R_b together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

c) one of R_a or R_b is $-C(O)-$, a C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group or a substituted C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5

members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C₁-C₅ divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

5 where B is substituted, L is substituted or L¹ is additionally substituted, the substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen, up to per-halo, and W_n, where n is 0-3;

10 wherein each W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -C(O)-R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, -Q-Ar, and carbon based moieties of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷ and halogen up to per-halo; with each R⁷ independently selected from H or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,

15 wherein Q is -O-, -S-, -N(R⁷)-, -(CH₂)_m-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH₂)_mO-, -(CH₂)_mS-, -(CH₂)_mN(R⁷)-, -O(CH₂)_m- CHX^a-, -CX^a₂-, -S-(CH₂)_m- and -N(R⁷)(CH₂)_m-, where m= 1-3, and X^a is halogen;

20 Ar is a 5- or 6-member aromatic structure containing 0-2 members selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, up to per-halo, and optionally substituted by Z_{n1}, wherein n1 is 0 to 3 and each Z is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷-NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -COR⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, with R⁷ as defined above; and

25 wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -N(R⁷)-, -(CH₂)_m-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH₂)_mO-, -(CH₂)_mS-, -(CH₂)_mN(R⁷)-, -O(CH₂)_m- CHX^a-, -CX^a₂-, -S-(CH₂)_m- and -N(R⁷)(CH₂)_m-, where m= 1-3, X^a is halogen.

39. A compound of Formula I:



5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

D is $-\text{NH}-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NH}-$,

A is a substituted moiety of up to 40 carbon atoms of the formula: $-\text{L}-(\text{M}-\text{L}^1)_q$,
 where L is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl or ~~peritoneal~~ ^{pyridine} moiety bound directly to D, L¹
 comprises a substituted phenyl, peritoneal or pyrimidinyl moiety, M is a bridging group
 10 having at least one atom, q is an integer of from 1-3; and

B is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl or pyridine group bound directly to D,

wherein L¹ is substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting
 of $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}_x$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}_x$ and $-\text{C}(\text{NR}_y)\text{R}_z$,

R_y is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally
 15 containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally halosubstituted, up to per
 halo, and ;

R_z is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally
 containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,
 hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain
 20 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

R_x is R_z or NR_aR_b where R_a and R_b are

a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing
 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and
 25 carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms
 selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

$-\text{OSi}(\text{R}_f)_3$ where R_f is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon
 atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted
 by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which

optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

b) R_a and R_b together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

c) one of R_a or R_b is $-C(O)-$, a C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group or a substituted C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C_1-C_5 divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

where B is substituted, L is substituted or L^1 is additionally substituted, the substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen, up to per-halo, and W_n , where n is 0-3;

wherein each W is independently selected from the group consisting of $-CN$, $-CO_2R^7$, $-C(O)NR^7R^7$, $-C(O)-R^7$, $-NO_2$, $-OR^7$, $-SR^7$, $-NR^7R^7$, $-NR^7C(O)OR^7$, $-NR^7C(O)R^7$, $-Q-Ar$, and carbon based moieties of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of $-CN$, $-CO_2R^7$, $-C(O)R^7$, $-C(O)NR^7R^7$, $-OR^7$, $-SR^7$, $-NR^7R^7$, $-NO_2$, $-NR^7C(O)R^7$, $-NR^7C(O)OR^7$ and halogen up to per-halo; with each R^7 independently selected from H or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,

wherein Q is $-O-$, $-S-$, $-N(R^7)-$, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CH(OH)-$, $-(CH_2)_mO-$, $-(CH_2)_mS-$, $-(CH_2)_mN(R^7)-$, $-O(CH_2)_m-$, $-CHX^a-$, $-CX^a_2-$, $-S-(CH_2)_m-$ and $-N(R^7)(CH_2)_m-$, where $m=1-3$, and X^a is halogen;

Ar is a 5- or 6-member aromatic structure containing 0-2 members selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, up to per-halo, and optionally substituted by Z_{n1} , wherein $n1$ is 0 to 3 and each Z

independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -C(O)R⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -NO₂, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁷, -COR⁷, -C(O)NR⁷R⁷, -OR⁷, -SR⁷, -NO₂, -NR⁷R⁷, -NR⁷C(O)R⁷, and -NR⁷C(O)OR⁷; and

wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -N(R⁷)-, -(CH₂)_m-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH₂)_mO-, -(CH₂)_mS-, -(CH₂)_mN(R⁷)-, -O(CH₂)_m-CHX^a-, -CX^a₂-, -S-(CH₂)_m- and -N(R⁷)(CH₂)_m-, where m= 1-3, X^a is halogen.

40. A compound as in claim 38 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by -OH.

41. A compound as in claim 38 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by a moiety having an ionizable hydrogen and a pKa of 10 or less.

42. A compound as in claim 39 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by -OH.

43. A compound as in claim 39 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by a moiety having an ionizable hydrogen and a pKa of 10 or less.

44. A compound as in claim 38 wherein substituents for B and L and additional substituents for L¹, are selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, CN, OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

45. A compound as in claim 39 wherein substituents for B and L and additional substituents for L¹, are selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₀ alkyl up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, CN, OH, halogen, C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

46. A compound of claim 38 wherein L¹ is substituted by C(O)R_x or SO₂R_x.

47. A compound of claim 39 wherein L¹ is substituted by C(O)R_x or SO₂R_x.

48. A compound of claim 46 wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen and a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally

containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen..

49. A compound of claim 47 wherein R_x is NR_aR_b and R_a and R_b are independently hydrogen and a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.

50. A compound of claim 1 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of

a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and

b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

51. A compound of claim 2 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of

a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and

b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

52. A compound of claim 33 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of

a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and

b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

53. A compound of claim 38 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of

a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and

b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

54. A compound of claim 39 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of

5 a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and

10 b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

55. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

15 56. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 2 consistent with formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

57. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 33 consistent with formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

20 58. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 38 consistent with formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

25 59. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 39 consistent with formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

60. A compound selected from the group consisting of
3-tert butyl phenyl ureas of Table 1 above;
5-tert butyl-2-methoxyphenyl ureas of Table 2 above;

- 5-(trifluoromethyl)-2 phenyl ureas of Table 3 above;
 3-(trifluoromethyl)-4 chlorophenyl ureas of Table 4 above;
 3-(trifluoromethyl)-4-bromophenyl ureas of Table 5 above;
 5-(trifluoromethyl)-4-chloro-2 methoxyphenyl ureas of Table 6 above; and
 5 ureas 101-103 in Table 7 above.

61. A compound selected from the group consisting of
 the 3-*tert* butyl phenyl ureas:

N-(3-*tert*-butylphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(3-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea and
N-(3-*tert*-butylphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(4-acetylphenoxy)phenyl) urea;

the 5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl ureas:

N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-5-yloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(1-oxoisindolin-5-yloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(4-methoxy-3-(*N*-
 methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea and
N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(3-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea;

the 2-methoxy-5-trifluoromethylphenyl ureas:

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-
 pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-
 pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-
 pyridylthio)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-
 pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea;

the 4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

- 5 *N*-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl)
 urea,
N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea and
N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl)
 10 urea.

the 4-romo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

- N*-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl)
 urea,
 5 *N*-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl)
 urea,
N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridylthio)phenyl)
 urea,
N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-
 20 pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and
N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-
 pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea; and

the 2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

- 25 *N*-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-
 pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-
 pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,
N-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-
 30 methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and
N-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-
 methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea.

62. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 1.

63. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 33.

64. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 38.

65. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 39.

66. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound selected from the group consisting of

3-*tert* butyl phenyl ureas of Table 1 above;

5-*tert* butyl-2-methoxyphenyl ureas of Table 2 above;

5-(trifluoromethyl)-2 phenyl ureas of Table 3 above;

3-(trifluoromethyl)-4 chlorophenyl ureas of Table 4 above;

3-(trifluoromethyl)-4-bromophenyl ureas of Table 5 above;

5-(trifluoromethyl)-4-chloro-2 methoxyphenyl ureas of Table 6 above; and

ureas 101-103 in Table 7 above.

67. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound selected from the group consisting of the 3-*tert* butyl phenyl ureas:

N-(3-*tert*-butylphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(3-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea and

N-(3-*tert*-butylphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(4-acetylphenoxy)phenyl) urea;

the 5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl ureas:

N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-5-yloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(1-oxoisindolin-5-yloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(4-methoxy-3-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea and

N-(5-*tert*-butyl-2-methoxyphenyl)-*N'*-(4-(3-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)phenoxy)phenyl) urea;

5 the 2-methoxy-5-trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

10 *N*-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridylthio)phenyl) urea,

15 *N*-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and

N-(2-methoxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea;

20 the 4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-carbamoyl-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea and

25 *N*-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea;

the 4-romo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

30 *N*-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridylthio)phenyl) urea,

N-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and

5 *N*-(4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea; and

the 2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl ureas:

10 *N*-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)-4-pyridyloxy)phenyl) urea,

N-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(2-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea and

15 *N*-(2-methoxy-4-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-*N'*-(3-chloro-4-(2-(*N*-methylcarbamoyl)(4-pyridyloxy))phenyl) urea.